

WHH 6/30/80  
file

UNCLASSIFIED

	ACT	INF	TO	ACT	INF
AMB			ADM		
COM			ISY		
POI			INCOIC		
ICOM			PER		
LCR					
COMS					
INA					
LABOR					
SCI					
DAO					
MLGP					
FCS					

D6028

WNNWV ZSEB33LMA345

PP RUESEA

LA RUESLM #5832 182222Z

ZNY CCCCC ZZH

F 322236Z JUN 80

FM AMEMBASSY LIMA

TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC PRIORITY 1731

INFO RUESLZ/AMEMBASSY LA PAZ PRIORITY 5336

RUEBBA/AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES 4381

BT

LIMA 5232

1. 12285: GDS 6-28-80 (SCOTT, LESLIE) OR-F

INFO: FIAT, SHUM, AR, EL, PF

SUBJECT: (U) BELAUNDE ANSWERS AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL ON

DEPORTED MONTONEROS; CARDINAL AND FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER

COMMENT; BOLIVIAN AMB SAYS 3 ARGENTINES NOT IN BOLIVIA

REF: LIMA 5372

1. (U) LIMA PRESS PUBLISHED JUNE 29 TEXT OF LETTER SENT BY PRESIDENT-LECT FERNANDO BELAUNDE TERRY TO AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL, RESPONDING TO AMNESTY'S CABLE CONCERNING THE 3 ARGENTINE "MONTONEROS" WHO WERE DETAINED IN PERU AND REPORTEDLY DEPORTED BY THE GOP TO BOLIVIA. POINTING OUT THAT HIS GOVERNMENT WILL NOT TAKE OFFICE UNTIL JULY 28 (AND THUS HAS NO DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY IN THE MATTER), BELAUNDE EMPHASIZED THAT HE AND MEMBERS OF HIS FUTURE CABINET HAD ASKED THE GOP FOR AN EXPLANATION OF EVENTS SURROUNDING THE DETENTION AND DEPORTATION OF THE ARGENTINES AS SOON AS THEY WERE AWARE THAT THIS ACTION HAD BEEN CARRIED OUT.

2. (U) BELAUNDE TOLD AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL THAT THE GOP INVOLVED HIM THAT THE ARGENTINES IN QUESTION HAD ENTERED PERU ILLEGALLY, AND THAT THEY HAD BEEN TURNED OVER TO BOLIVIAN CIVILIAN AUTHORITIES. HE ALSO STRESSED THAT HIS CONCERN FOR THE SAFETY OF THESE INDIVIDUALS DID NOT MIX WITH THE GOP'S EXPLANATION, AND UNDERLINED THE POLICY WHICH HIS GOVERNMENT WILL PLACE ON CONDUCTING ITS POLICY IN ACCORDANCE WITH CONSTITUTIONAL GUARANTEES FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

3. (U) CARDINAL JUAN BARRAZURI RICKETTS TOLD PRESS JUN 29 THAT THE PERUVIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH HAD EXPRESSED ITS CONCERN TO THE GOP ABOUT THE ARGENTINES WHO WERE DEPORTED, AND HAD ALSO ASKED THE GOP FOR A CLARIFICATION OF THE INCIDENT. Meanwhile, JUNE 30 EDITION OF LIMA DAILY "COMERO" QUOTED FROM A LETTER SENT BY FORMER FOREIGN MINISTER CARLOS GARCIA PEDOYA TO ESTEBAN RIVERO, PRESIDENT OF THE PERUVIAN COMMITTEE OF SOLIDARITY WITH THE PEOPLES OF LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN. IN THE LETTER, GARCIA PEDOYA REPORTEDLY SAID THAT THE CASE OF THE "DISAPPEARED" ARGENTINES OUGHT TO BE CLARIFIED AND THAT THOSE GUILTY OF THE OUTRAGE

84 F/1  
3/5-

BA-9  
4-12-76

UNCLASSIFIED

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

U.S. DEPT. OF STATE, A/RPS/IPS

Margaret P. Grafield, Director

Release ( ) Excise ( ) Deny

Exemption(s):

Declassify: ( ) In Part ( ) In Full

( ) Extend as ( ) Downgrade to

Declassify on Reason

Date

UNCLASSIFIED

2. (U) "CORREDO'S" JUNE 32 EDITION ALSO QUOTED BOLIVIAN AMB  
GO PERU MANUEL MONTENEGRO AS SAYING THAT THE ARGENTINES IN  
QUESTION ARE NOT IN BOLIVIA. MONTENEGRO WAS INTERVIEWED  
ON HIS RETURN FROM LA PAZ, WHERE HE SAID THAT THE BOLIVIAN  
MINISTER OF INTERIOR HAD CONDUCTED A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION  
OF THIS CASE, CONFIRMING ABSOLUTELY THAT THE 3  
ARGENTINES ARE NOT IN BOLIVIAN TERRITORY. (LEFTIST "EL  
DIARIO DE MARKA" QUOTED SOURCES IN THE BOLIVIAN INTERIOR  
MINISTRY AS SAYING THAT NOT ONLY WERE THE ARGENTINES NOT  
IN BOLIVIA, BUT ALSO THAT THE GCP ANNOUNCEMENT THAT THE  
ARGENTINES HAD BEEN TURNED OVER TO BOLIVIAN AUTHORITIES  
WAS MADE WITHOUT CONSULTING THE GCP. "EL DIARIO DE MARKA"  
ALSO REPORTED THAT PRESIDENT GUELLER SAID THAT SHE IS  
DISPOSED TO CANCEL HER ATTENDANCE AT THE BELAUNDE INAUGURATION  
IF THE GCP DOES NOT PROVIDE A SATISFACTORY EXPLANATION  
TO THE GCP ABOUT THE CASE OF THESE ARGENTINES.) MONTENEGRO  
ALSO REPORTED MET WITH PERUVIAN FOREIGN MINISTER GARCIA,  
AGREEING TO "CONTINUE THE INVESTIGATION" OF THIS INCIDENT.

3. COMMENT: THE MATTER OF THE "MONTENEPOS" IS BECOMING  
AN INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT AND EMBARRASSING ISSUE FOR THE  
GCP, CAUSING UNEASINESS WITHIN THE JUNTA AND BRINGING  
PARTICULAR HEAT ON PRIME MINISTER RICHTER BECAUSE OF THE  
ARMY'S CENTRAL ROLE IN THE MATTER.  
SILVERMAN

F.  
48182